

### **DELAWARE**

Meeting community needs in Delaware. More than 5,800 people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and strengthen communities through 23 national service projects across Delaware. Serving with national and community nonprofit organizations, faith-based groups, schools, and local agencies, these citizens tutor and mentor children, coordinate after-school programs, build homes, conduct neighborhood patrols, organize local homeland security efforts, respond to disasters, and recruit and manage volunteers. This year, the Corporation for National and Community Service will provide more than \$2,700,000 to support Delaware communities through three major programs:



Senior Corps: More than 3,600 seniors in Delaware contribute their time and talents in one of three programs: Foster Grandparents, who serve one-on-one with more than 1,500 young people who have special needs; Senior Companions, who help more than 200 other seniors live independently in their homes; and RSVP volunteers, who work with more than 320 local groups to meet a wide range of community needs, including safety patrols with local police departments, environmental projects, tutoring and mentoring, and responding to natural disasters.



AmeriCorps: This year, more than 110 individuals are serving in Delaware communities as AmeriCorps members. In return, the members receive an education award of up to \$4,725 to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To date, more than 450 Delaware residents have qualified for education awards totaling more than \$2,000,000. Two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Delaware Community Service Commission. National nonprofits, such as Public Allies and the Student Conservation Association, make other assignments. Other members serve in AmeriCorps\*VISTA, and AmeriCorps\*NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps).



**Learn and Serve America:** Learn and Serve America provides schools, colleges, and community organizations with grants for service-learning. These grants help make it possible for more than **2,100** Delaware students to meet community needs while improving their civic and academic skills and learning the habits of good citizenship.

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"Here in the First State, AmeriCorps members strive to improve the overall quality of life in their communities. At the same time, members also develop leadership skills, learn responsibility, and expand their own educational opportunities. By challenging individuals and communities to do more for themselves, AmeriCorps members have a unique opportunity to enrich their own lives, as well as the lives of others."

**Governor Ruth Ann Minner** 





## DELAWARE At a Glance

Senior Corps RSVP	<b>Projects</b>		Participants 3,332	<b>Funding</b> \$232,867
Foster Grandparent Program	1	252		\$540,631
Senior Companion Program	1		81	\$352,330
Senior Corps Total	5		3,665	\$1,125,828
AmeriCorps	Program Sites		Members <sup>1</sup>	Funding <sup>2</sup>
AmeriCorps*State	6	68		\$801,509
AmeriCorps*National	7		\$235,819	
AmeriCorps*VISTA	3	24 27		\$383,400
AmeriCorps*NCCC <sup>3</sup>	N/A	N/A		N/A
AmeriCorps Total	16		119	\$1,420,728
<b>Learn and Serve America</b>	<u>Grantees</u>	<b>Subgrantees</b>	<u>Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
School-based programs	1	10	1,139	\$51,375
Community-based programs	1	10	981	\$150,300
<b>Learn and Serve America Total</b>	2	20	2,120	\$201,675
Total National Service Resour	rces 23	20	5,904	\$2,748,231

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This figure represents the number of enrolled members, as of March 15th, 2003. Many AmeriCorps programs have additional slots which may be filled during the 2002-2003 program year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This figure does not include the education award that each AmeriCorps member receives after completing a term of service. To date, more than **450** Delaware residents have qualified for education awards totaling more than **\$2,000,000**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Delaware is served by the AmeriCorps\*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, AmeriCorps\*NCCC teams have served on projects in Clayton and Lewes.



## Senior Corps in Delaware

Primary City or Region	Sponsor Organization Program Name (If different)	Number of Volunteer	rs Program Type
Dover	Delaware Division of State Service Centers Delaware FGP	252	Foster Grandparents
Dover	Modern Maturity Center, Inc. RSVP of Kent County Delaware	969	RSVP
Georgetown	Delaware Division of State Service Centers RSVP of Sussex County	1,276	RSVP
Georgetown	First State Community Action Agency Kent/Sussex/New Castle SCP	81	Senior Companions
New Castle	Delaware Department Health & Social Services New Castle County RSVP	1,087	RSVP
Total Number of National Senior Service Corps Volunteers		3,665	



### **AmeriCorps** in Delaware

Primary City or Region	Sponsor Organization Number of Enrol Program Name (if different)	led Members	Program Type	
Statewide	University of Delaware	25	AmeriCorps*VISTA	
Dover	Student Conservation Association 1	0	AmeriCorps*National	
	Delaware State Parks			
Dover	Capital School District 1	0	AmeriCorps*State	
	Community Partnership Program			
Dover	Delaware Dept. of Nat. Resources & Enviro. Control	11	AmeriCorps*State	
	AmeriCorps State Park Partners Program			
Dover	Delaware State University	33	AmeriCorps*State	
	AmeriCorps Crossroads			
Dover	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Delaware	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA	
New Castle County	University of Delaware	24	AmeriCorps*State	
	First State Service Corps			
Newark	Catholic Network of Volunteer Service	1	AmeriCorps*National	
	Lutheran Vol. Corps - Homeward Bound Emmaus			
Seaford	Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware	0	AmeriCorps*State	
	Corps Assistance Team			
υ	Catholic Network of Volunteer Service	1	AmeriCorps*National	
	Lutheran Vol. Corps - Hilltop Neighborhood Center			
Wilmington,	Catholic Network of Volunteer Service	1	AmeriCorps*National	
	Luth. Vol. Corps - Ministry of Caring Child Care Ctr.			
Wilmington,	Catholic Network of Volunteer Service	1	AmeriCorps*National	
	Lutheran Vol. Corps - Lutheran Community Services			
Wilmington,	Catholic Network of Volunteer Service	1	AmeriCorps*National	
	Lutheran Vol. Corps - Ministry of Caring Mary House			
Wilmington	Public Allies Delaware	19	AmeriCorps*National	
Wilmington	Christian Care <sup>2</sup>	0	AmeriCorps*State	
	Community Health Advisors Network Program			
Wilmington	Philadelphia Health Management Corporation	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA	
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#### **Total Number of Enrolled AmeriCorps Members**

119

This figure represents the number of enrolled members, as of March, 2003. Many AmeriCorps programs have additional slots which may be filled during 2003.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This program has not yet enrolled AmeriCorps members for the 2002-2003 program year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This program is a planning grant, and will not be enrolling AmeriCorps members during the 2002-2003 program year.



### Learn and Serve America in Delaware

Primary City or Region	<b>Sponsor Organization</b> Program Name (if different)	Students	In-State Subgrantees <sup>1</sup>	Program Type
Dover	Delaware Department of Public Instruction	1,139	10	School-based
New Castle	Delaware Community Service Commission Community-Based Learn and Serve	981	10	Community-Based
Total Number of	Learn and Serve Participants	2,120	20	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If the subgrantees of a parent program are listed on this page, they are not also counted in that parent program's subgrant column. Also, subgrantees show a "1" in this column, which refers to themselves.



Through the **President's Student Service Challenge**, students in kindergarten through college receive presidential recognition for their outstanding community service. Students who serve 100 hours or more are eligible for a **President's Student Service Award**. Since 1999, more than 574 Delaware students have received this award. In the **President's Student Service Scholarship** program, two students from each high school may receive a \$1,000 college scholarship for outstanding service to the community. Since 1997, more than 82 Delaware students have received these scholarships.



The **National Service-Learning Leader Schools** program recognizes middle and high schools for their excellence in service-learning. Howard High School of Technology in Wilmington, Seaford Senior High School, and the Program for Educational Alternatives in Kent County in Dover have been recognized as Leader Schools.



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